

## **One Part Russian Maskirovka, Nine Parts Western Copium. A Dangerous Cocktail Indeed!**

Might the “Russia Mutiny” actually be Russian theater (maskirovka), intended to establish the Wagner group’s independence from Russia, whereby opening the door for Wagner to act against the US, NATO and their partners without putting Russia on the hook for Wagner’s transgressions. (i.e. cross border raids launched from Belarus, armed insurgencies or worse)

Consider the following: Putin and Prigozhin, hatch a plan to bait and hijack the dominant western media (“Cancel Putin Cult”) with their greatest fantasy (an armed rebellion against president Putin). Putin knew the western media couldn’t pass up an opportunity to portray him as irrational, incompetent, unpopular and weak, to do otherwise would be considered an act of sacrilege. So he uses their personal wants, desires and prejudices to irrefutably establish to the world that Russia, has officially parted ways with the Wagner group and will not be held responsible for the future acts of said group. Putin also knows the western media and others will never admit to being duped because that would suggest Putin is quite the strategist, and that Russia may actually present a credible threat to the west.

Ask yourself: why is it Putin uncharacteristically spares Prigozhin’s life and then arranges safe passage for him and his rebellious private army to Belarus? Belarus is reportedly building military bases for the Wagner group on Belarusian soil. Additionally, It has been widely reported that Putin, has provided tactical nuclear weapons to Belarusian president, Aleksandr Lukashenko, who reportedly offered ‘Nuclear weapons for all’ those willing to join the alliance. Might that include the Wagner group? I know what I have said here will be highly unpopular with the “Cancel Putin” crowd. However, it is wise to give the devil his due. Or in the words of Lao Tzu: “There is no greater danger than underestimating your opponent.”

We will know what was said here has come to pass when the news feed is replete with stories similar to this fictional example: [ In [Xland]’s eastern region, where forces NATO regards as Russian military saboteurs, have launched attacks, near the village of [Xxxxx] killing [#] and wounding [#].However Russia said the attack, was likely carried out by the Wagner group, the same Wagner insurgents who launched an armed rebellion against Russian President Vladimir Putin, back in June of 2023.]

Respectfully submitted,

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